# FAIRFAX COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT



# ACTIVITY REPORT

**JULY 9, 2010** 

# **ACTIVITIES REPORTED THROUGH JULY 7, 2010**

**PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE -- 703-246-2253** 

There are three sections in this report: Section I: <u>MAJOR INCIDENTS</u>; Section II: <u>PROPERTY CRIMES</u>; and, Section III: <u>ANIMAL RELATED INCIDENTS</u>. Sections are appropriately identified. Within the sections, incidents are organized by station, then by type of offense. They are listed alphabetically by street address.

Addresses shown indicate blocks and not specific locations. Thus an entry showing Chain Bridge Road 4100 would mean the 4100 *block* of Chain Bridge Road, not the address 4100 Chain Bridge Road.

An asterisk (\*) before an item indicates that a news release was distributed on that offense.

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#### **Section I: MAJOR INCIDENTS**

## **COUNTYWIDE**

\*UPDATE: HOMICIDE: On Sunday, June 27, around 3:34 p.m., police responded to the area of Arlington Boulevard and Williams Drive for report of a vehicle crash. Responding officers discovered a 2008 2-door Toyota in a ditch off the south side of Arlington Boulevard. Inside the vehicle was Vanessa V. Pham, 19, of 6700 James Lee Street, #138 in the Falls Church area. The victim appeared to have trauma to the upper body which was not consistent with the mechanism of the crash and are investigating this case as a homicide. On Friday, July 2, members of the Fairfax County Police Department's Search and Rescue Team conducted an extensive search of the crash site and surrounding area. They were looking for any potential evidence related to this homicide.

Detectives have determined that Vanessa Pham visited a business in the Fairfax Plaza shopping center in the 2900 block of Gallows Road around 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 27 and have released a video of Vanessa Pham's car in the Fairfax Plaza shopping center from a short time before police responded to the crash on Arlington Boulevard on the same day. She did not appear to be in distress at that time. Police are asking the public to pay particular attention to the portion of the video when Pham's car is attempting to exit the parking lot. There are several vehicles behind her car and others on Gallows Road attempting to enter the parking lot. Anyone who recalls being in close proximity to or seeing her car in and around the Fairfax Plaza shopping center parking lot is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text "TIP187" plus your message to CRIMES/274637 or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

\*CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY: The Fairfax County Police Department is now accepting applications for its fall Citizen's Police Academy. The Citizen's Police Academy offers Fairfax County citizens a better understanding of the Police Department and a greater awareness of the daily challenges faced by its officers. The Citizen's Police Academy is a ten-week program designed to provide members of the public with a unique "glimpse behind the badge." Attendees will have an opportunity to learn about departmental resources, programs, and, most importantly, the men and women who comprise the Fairfax County Police Department, an organization nationally recognized as a leader in the law enforcement community. Classes are a combination of lecture and interactive activities. Topics include SWAT and special operations, gangs, 911 communications center, patrol, crime prevention, crime scene, identity theft, and a tour of the Adult Detention Center.

The fall Citizen's Police Academy will be held on ten consecutive Thursday evenings from September 9 through November 13, 2010. Classes meet from 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., with the exception of graduation, which will be held on Saturday, November 13 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Class locations will rotate to various police facilities throughout the county. The program is offered free of charge. Applicants are required to live or work in Fairfax County, must be 18 years of age, and provide their own transportation to and from training. Acceptance is subject to review of applicant's criminal record and police contact history. Sufficient lead time is required so applicants are encouraged to submit their applications by the end of July. For an application

form and to learn more about the Citizen's Police Academy, visit our web site http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/services/citizens-police-academy.htm. For more information or questions, please e-mail CPA@fairfaxcounty.gov or call (703) 280-0713.

## **SULLY DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 1)**

\*FATAL CRASH: Police responded to the report of a single vehicle crash on Chapel Road near Glencove Drive on Monday, July, 5 shortly after 1 a.m. Crash reconstruction detectives determined that a 2000 Ford Explorer was traveling south on Chapel Road at a high rate of speed. The vehicle crested a hill and the driver lost control. The SUV ran off the left side of the roadway and struck a tree with the passenger side. Myron Day, 31 of Longwood Court in Woodbridge was ejected from the vehicle. He was pronounced dead at the scene. There were five additional occupants including the driver. The 14, 15, 17, and 21-year-old passengers were transported to a local hospital with non life-threatening injuries. The 20-year-old driver was uninjured and remained on the scene. The investigation continues and charges are pending. Speed appears to have been a factor; alcohol does not.

## **MOUNT VERNON DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 2)**

\*RENTAL SCAM/ARREST: Police have encountered multiple occurrences of scams involving properties advertised for rent on Craig's List. Typically, homes that are in the process of foreclosure are advertised as new rental property by scammers. The home is listed at an attractively low rent with no credit check required. When a victim agrees to rent the home, they are asked for a cash deposit. The suspect takes the cash is never seen again. On June 21, Richard Armstrong, 29, of 8502 Brooks Street, in Washington D.C., was arrested for allegedly taking cash from a 38 year-old Alexandria-area woman, under the pretense of renting a residence in the 8400 block of Osman Drive.

On June 24, Christopher Stanley, 27, of 108 W. 3rd Street in Frederick, Maryland, was arrested for allegedly taking cash from an undercover officer, under the pretense of renting a residence in the 5700 block of Ridge View Drive. Fairfax County Police anticipate additional arrests and have traced similar scams to multiple locations, including Alexandria, Richmond, Washington D.C., Miami, and New York City. Police remind citizens that cash arrangements are inherently risky and that a legitimate rental opportunity should involve a signed lease.

**MALICIOUS WOUNDING/ASSAULT AND BATTERY/BURGLARY/DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY/ARREST:** Police arrested a man who allegedly broke into a home in the 7900 block of Richmond Highway and assaulted a 35-year-old woman he knew and a 27-year-old man on Monday, June 28 around 4 a.m. Daniel Boakye, 38, of 9661 Franklin Woods Place in Lorton, was arrested and charged with malicious wounding, assault and battery, burglary and destruction of property. The victims did not require medical attention.

\*ROBBERY/ABDUCTION/USE OF A FIREARM IN THE COMMISSION OF A FELONY/ARREST: A 28-year-old taxi cab driver was robbed at gunpoint, near Richmond Highway and Russell Road. On Thursday, July 1 shortly after 1 a.m., the backseat passenger displayed a handgun and demanded money. The victim handed over an undisclosed amount of

cash and was not injured. The suspect exited the cab and fled north across a grocery store parking lot. Investigators determined the suspect entered a room at the Southern Motel, 8257 Richmond Highway. Patrol officers established a perimeter around the motel and the police helicopter and a K-9 team responded to the area. The suspect was eventually located and identified as allegedly having committed the robbery. During this investigation, a 32-year-old, Alexandria-area woman told police she had been abducted by the same man. The suspect had reportedly approached her in front of the 7-Eleven store at 8226 Russell Road earlier that evening. He attempted to engage her in conversation but she walked away. A short time later, the suspect reportedly appeared from between two buildings, displayed a handgun, grabbed her by her shoulders, and verbally threatened her. She struggled and was able to free herself and run away. She was not injured and ran to the Southern Motel and made contact with police. The suspect, James Junior Butler, 20, of Clinton, Maryland was arrested. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with robbery, abduction, and two counts of the use of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

\*ROBBERY: Police responded to the report of an armed robbery at the 7-Eleven store located at 6946 South Kings Highway on Friday, July 2 shortly before 5 a.m. A man walked into the store, displayed a gun and demanded money. One of two clerks in the store handed over an undisclosed amount of cash. There were no injuries and the suspect fled on foot. He was described as black, in his late teens to early 20s, with brown eyes, approximately 5 feet tall and about 120 pounds. He was wearing all black, with a dark mask covering a portion of his face.

\*ATTEMPTED ROBBERY: A delivery man drove to an apartment in the 8500 block of Richmond Highway to deliver a pizza on Monday, July 5 shortly after 10 p.m. He got no response at the door. As he exited the building's foyer the victim heard a noise and saw a man approaching from behind. When the man pointed a gun at him, the victim put his cell phone to his ear and the suspect fled. The victim was not injured. The suspect was described as black, 20 to 25 years old, approximately 6 feet tall and about 130 pounds. Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text "TIP187" plus your message to CRIMES/274637 or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

#### **MCLEAN DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 3)**

**RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY/FORGING A PUBLIC DOCUMENT/DRIVING ON A SUSPENDED DRIVER'S LICENSE/ARREST:** An officer conducted a traffic stop near the intersection of Dolley Madison Boulevard and Scotts Crossing Road around 10:28 p.m. on Thursday, July 1 and arrested the driver after an investigation determined the vehicle was stolen. Belal K. Gab-allah, 36, of 5028 Chapell Ridge Place in Glen Allen, Va., was taken to jail and charged with receiving stolen property and driving on a suspended license. He was additionally charged with forging a public document for allegedly providing a false identity to officers and signing an arrest document with that name.

**INDECENT EXPOSURE:** A man exposed himself to a 45-year-old woman on Friday, July 2 around 8:23 p.m. in the 1900 block of Storm Drive. The suspect was described as white, between 18 and 25 years old, 190 to 210 pounds and 5 feet 6 inches to 5 feet 9 inches tall. He had short,

brown hair and wore a dark blue shirt with red, horizontal stripes and khaki pants. The victim was not injured.

**ROBBERY:** Two women, both age 25, were robbed in the 2000 block of Peach Orchard Drive around 3:36 a.m. on Sunday, July 4. They were in the suspect's car; he pulled a knife and demanded money. The victims relinquished an undisclosed amount of cash and the suspect fled. He was described as Hispanic, between 28 to 30 years old, wearing a black baseball hat. He was driving a dark-colored, four-door, compact vehicle with tinted windows. The victims did not require medical attention.

## **MASON DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 4)**

FAIL TO REGISTER AS A VIOLENT SEX OFFENDER/PROBATION VIOLATION/PROVIDING FALSE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT/RESISTING ARREST/ASSAULT ON A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/ARREST: Police responded to a suspicious vehicle call in the 3100 block of Cofer Road around 5:41 p.m. on Sunday, July 4 and a brief investigation determined the driver had outstanding warrants. He fled into a nearby home and two people inside the home allegedly refused to cooperate with police. Officers were able to apprehend the suspect. Chanda Huor, 29, of no fixed address, was taken to jail and charged with failing to register as a violent sex offender and a probation violation. Donnie E. Blankenship, 54, and James E. Blankenship, 27, both of 3116 Cofer Road in Falls Church, were also arrested and charged with providing false information to law enforcement officers during their investigation and resisting arrest. The elder Blankenship was additionally charged with assault on a law enforcement officer.

## **RESTON DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 5)**

\*FATAL CRASH: Police responded to the report of a crash involving a vehicle and a pedestrian on Reston Parkway near Glade Drive on Thursday, July 1 shortly after 9 p.m. Crash Reconstruction detectives determined that a 17-year-old male was attempting to cross the northbound lanes of Reston Parkway from east to west, not in a crosswalk. He ran into the path of a 1987 Toyota pickup truck driven by a 50-year-old Reston man, traveling northbound on Reston Parkway in the left lane. Jose Antonio Villatoro of 12305 Scotch Bonnet Court in Herndon was transported to Inova Fairfax Hospital. He died at 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 3. Neither speed nor alcohol were factors contributing to this crash.

#### ABDUCTION/BRANDISHING A FIREARM/ASSAULT BY CHEMICAL

**WEAPON/ARREST:** A man was arrested after allegedly pointing a gun at a 35-year-old acquaintance and her friend, a 44-year-old man, and preventing them from leaving a home in the 2400 block of Pyrenees Court on Sunday, July 4 around 6:17 p.m. The suspect also allegedly sprayed the male victim with pepper spray. Von O. Widerrich, 40, of San Diego, Ca., was arrested and charged with two counts of abduction, three counts of brandishing a firearm and assault by a chemical substance. The victims did not require medical attention.

## FRANCONIA DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 6)

\*LARCENY SPREE: Police are investigating a rash of landscaping equipment thefts that have occurred throughout the Franconia police district from businesses and work vehicles parked in residential areas. Since February, approximately 75 incidents have been reported to police involving the theft of various items including backpack blowers, chain saws, trimmers, generators, miter saws, floor buffers, air compressors and floor sanders. The total value of stolen items is estimated around \$500,000. In one heist, the suspects took upwards of 30 items valued between \$20,000 to \$30,000.

Detectives believe at least one group is responsible for the thefts and may be using some type of pickup or box truck to transport the stolen equipment. Police have stepped up security efforts at various locations by installing surveillance cameras, plain-clothes operations and increasing patrol. They encourage business owners, employees and drivers of work vans to be vigilant in areas where their vehicles or equipment are left unattended. Call police immediately if you see any suspicious persons or vehicles, particularly in the nighttime hours. Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text "TIP187" plus your message to CRIMES/274637 or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

**UNLAWFUL ENTRY/ARREST:** Police arrested a 25-year-old man and two teenage boys, ages 14 and 15, for unlawfully entering a home in the 7400 block of Foxleigh Way around 5:55 p.m. on Tuesday, July 6. The boys were released to their parents; petitions for unlawful entry will be obtained. Steven M. Chase, of 7433 Beulah Street in Alexandria, was taken to jail and charged with unlawful entry.

## WEST SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 7)

\*SEXUAL BATTERY/ANIMATE OBJECT SEXUAL PENETRATION/ARREST: An 18-year-old woman was sexually assaulted on Tuesday, June 29 at the Avant Apartment Complex in the 7900 block of Charles Thomson Lane. The victim was about to enter an apartment around 7:09 p.m. when a man ran up, grabbed her and touched her inappropriately. A family member heard the commotion and chased the suspect away. He was seen running through the community toward Braddock Road Elementary School. He was described as Asian, between 18 and 20 years old. He was about 5 feet 5 inches tall and 200 pounds, had straight, shoulder-length black hair, glasses and wore dark clothing. Police arrested a 17-year-old allegedly responsible for the sexually-motivated assaults that took place in the Avant Apartment Complex between May 9 and June 29.

An alert officer patrolling the neighborhood on Tuesday, July 6 recognized the suspect from a canvass flyer and reported it to Sex Crimes detectives. After a brief investigation, the suspect was arrested the following day. The Annandale-area teen was taken to the juvenile detention center and charged with three counts of sexual battery and one count of animate object sexual penetration.

**BURGLARY:** The Calvary Hill Baptist Church, 9301 Little River Turnpike, was burglarized some time between 5 p.m. on Thursday, July 1 and 8:30 a.m. on Friday, July 2. Items inside were damaged and rearranged. Police are investigating.

**ATTEMPTED BURGLARY:** A man attempted to break into a home in the 5300 block of Danas Crossing Drive around 2:56 a.m. on Monday, July 5. The suspect fled before he could gain entry. Police continue to investigate.

## FAIR OAKS DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 8)

## ATTEMPTED ROBBERY/BRANDISHING A MACHETE/GANG

**PARTICIPATION/ARREST:** Three men were arrested for attempting to rob a 25-year-old man on Monday, July 5 around 1:22 a.m. in the 3300 block of Willow Crescent Drive. Carlos Orellana Molina, 32, of 3333 Willow Crescent Drive #21 in Fairfax; Franklin M. Arias, 20, of 71 Jewell Lane in Edinburg, Va.; and Jonathan R. Aguellar, 19, of 10299 Friendship Court in Fairfax, were arrested and charged with robbery and gang participation. Orellana Molina was additionally charged with brandishing a machete. The victim did not require medical attention.

# **Section II: PROPERTY CRIMES**

# **SULLY DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 1)**

# **LARCENIES**

Cheverly Court Tires and rims stolen from vehicle	14600
Emerald Green Court Video game system stolen from residence	6400
Forest Pond Court CDs, tools and files stolen from vehicle	13600
Old Centreville Road Purse stolen from business	5900
Poplar Forest Court Computer stolen from vehicle	4300
Sandstone Way Bicycle stolen from residence	6200
Stonehunt Way Guitar case and tuner stolen from vehicle	6300
Union Mill Road Golf club stolen from vehicle	6200

## **VEHICLE THEFTS**

None reported.

# **MOUNT VERNON DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 2)**

## **LARCENIES**

16 <sup>th</sup> Street Skateboard stolen from business	6400
Ackley Street License plate stolen from vehicle	8200
Brockham Drive Power tools stolen from vehicle	8300

Fordson Road Cell phone stolen from business	8100
Huntington Avenue Can of beer stolen from business	2300
Richmond Highway Purse stolen from business	7600
Richmond Highway Beer stolen from business	8000
Richmond Highway Advertisements stolen from business	8100
Richmond Highway Purse stolen from business	8700
Richmond Highway Cash stolen from business	8700
Tower Drive Purse stolen from residence	6600
Vernon Square Drive License plate stolen from vehicle	7400
VEHICLE THEFTS	
Furman Lane 2009 Honda Accord	3100
Russell Road 2009 Toyota Camry	8200
MCLEAN DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 3)	
<u>LARCENIES</u>	
Arlington Boulevard Wallet stolen from business	6400
Arlington Boulevard Cell phone stolen from business	8100

Balls Hill Road Handgun stolen from residence	1400
Chain Bridge Road Beer stolen from business	1400
Chain Bridge Road License plate stolen from vehicle	1400
Colshire Drive Two cases of beer stolen from business	7400
James Lee Street Tools stolen from vehicle	6700
Langley Place Ten tons of steel reinforcement stolen from construction site	1400
Lee Highway License plate stolen from vehicle	8000
Lee Highway One liter of vodka stolen from business	8100
Lee Highway Vodka stolen from business	8100
Leesburg Pike Cash stolen from residence	7800
Lincoln Way License plate stolen from vehicle	1500
Old Meadow Road Wallet stolen from business	1800
Pimmit Run Lane GPS stolen from vehicle	2200
Salem Road Power tools stolen from trailer	7500
Scotts Run Road Jewelry stolen from business	1300

Tools stolen from business

License plates stolen from vehicle

Lincolnia Road

Strawberry Lane Equipment stolen from residen	8100 ace	
Towers Crescent Drive iPhone stolen from business	8000	
Tysons Corner Center Purse stolen from vehicle	8000	
VEHICLE THEFTS		
None reported.		
MASON DISTRICT STATIO	ON (DISTRICT 4)	
<u>LARCENIES</u>		
8 <sup>th</sup> Street Radio stolen from vehicle	6400	
Brandy Court Deposit money stolen from bus	siness 3300	
Brookfield Corporate Drive Wallet stolen from vehicle	4500	
Columbia Pike Two bags of rice stolen from b	7100 usiness	
Gallows Road Wallet stolen from business	3300	
Hummer Road Several rolls of quarters stolen	4100 from business	
Leesburg Pike License plates stolen from veh	5600 icle	
Leesburg Pike Two watches stolen from busin	6200 ness	
Leesburg Pike	6200	

6400

Little River Turnpike Fireworks stolen from business	7500
Manor Road Tools stolen from vehicle	3100
Marc Drive Bags stolen from business	7500
Montrose Street Handicap license plate stolen from vehicle	6500
Oak Ridge Road Tools stolen from vehicle	7100
Tobin Road Two hundred pounds of copper stolen from vehicle	8400
Tom Davis Drive Computer stolen from vehicle	4200
Whsipering Lane Radio speaker and console stolen from vehicle	3800
VEHICLE THEFTS	
Medford Drive Dodge Caravan	4000
RESTON DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 5)	
<u>LARCENIES</u>	
Center Harbor Road License plates stolen from vehicle	11200
Centreville Road Two cases of beer stolen from business	2500
Highland Crossing Drive Money stolen from business	12900
Links Drive Smart tag stolen from vehicle	11500

Monroe Chase Court Bicycle stolen from residence	2400
VEHICLE THEFTS	
Golf Course Drive 2000 Nissan Xterra	2000
John Milton Drive 2010 Bentley	2500
FRANCONIA DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 6)	
<u>LARCENIES</u>	
Atlee Place License plate stolen from vehicle	5500
Backlick Road Briefcase stolen from vehicle	4300
Backlick Road Money stolen from vehicle	4500
Backlick Road Compressors stolen from fire station	7000
Backlick Road Equipment stolen from business	8200
Bentley Mill Place GPS and airbags stolen from vehicle	7000
Brandon Avenue Laptop computer stolen from business	6200
Brandon Avenue Two bicycles stolen from vehicle	6200
Briarview Court Tools stolen from vehicle	6100
Dinwiddie Street License plate stolen from vehicle	6000

Bayberry Ridge Road

GPS and iPod stolen from vehicle

Elgar Street 7500 Tools stolen from business Frontier Drive 6000 Generator, three staple guns, three air guns and compressors stolen from vehicle Frontier Drive 6600 Phones stolen from business Hydrangea Drive 6000 Wallet stolen from vehicle **Inverness Drive** 6900 GPS stolen from vehicle Jayhawk Street 7400 Wallet stolen from business 7100 Rock Ridge Lane Tools stolen from vehicle Rose Hill Drive 6100 Case of beer stolen from business Springfield Mall 6500 Laptop computer stolen from business Springfield Mall 6500 Wallet stolen from business VEHICLE THEFTS Conwell Drive 4500 1997 Dodge Caravan Richmond Highway 9900 Jeep Cherokee WEST SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 7) <u>LARCENIES</u>

8200

Braddock Road Makeup case and wallet stolen from business	8100
Burke Commons Road GPS stolen from vehicle	6000
Chestnut Wood Lane iPod Touch stolen from community pool	10000
Hollins Lane Airbags stolen from vehicle	5500
Lonsdale Drive License plates stolen from vehicle	5200
Paynes Church Drive Lawn equipment stolen from vehicle	10900
Princess Anne Court Chainsaw and power wrench stolen from residence	4900
Sandy Run Trail Money stolen from residence	10700
Ulysses Court Airbag stolen from vehicle	9400
Willowdale Court License plate stolen from vehicle	8100
VEHICLE THEFTS	
Bark Tree Court 1997 Honda Civic	8300
FAIR OAKS DISTRICT STATION (DISTRICT 8)	
<u>LARCENIES</u>	
Fairfax Towne Center Beer stolen from business	12200
Lee Jackson Memorial Highway Jewelry stolen from residence	12300

Lee Jackson Memorial Highway Fireworks stolen from business	13000
Ridge Top Road Electronic equipment stolen from business	4000
Rosehaven Street Cash stolen from vehicle	10500
Sunflower Lane Bicycle stolen from residence	11400
Willow Crescent Drive Tools stolen from vehicle	3300
VEHICLE THEFTS	
Draper Drive 2009 Subaru Impreza and 2008 Subaru Legacy	3100
Fairfax Woods Way 1989 Honda CRX	11700

## **ANIMAL CONTROL DIVISION**

**RABIES TEST:** A dead raccoon was collected from the 5300 block of Chandley Farm Road in Centreville on Friday, June 25 around 5:31 p.m. and sent for rabies testing. A terrier mix may have come into contact with the animal; he was given a booster shot and quarantined for 45 days.